

# FINANCE COMMITTEE

## A G E N D A

Monday, October 19, 2009

5:45 p.m.

Hampden Town Office

1. Minutes of October 5, 2009 Meeting
2. Review and signature of Warrants
3. Old Business
  - a. Penobscot Cable Consortium – Dues Notice
  - b. Notification – Public Works Plow Truck received
  - c. Notification – Police Cruiser received
  - d. Transfer Station Statistics – 2007-2010
  - e. Pool Heating Oil Usage Statistics
4. New Business
  - a. PVCOG Dues - Restructuring
5. Public Comments
6. Committee Member Comments

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
Monday, October 5, 2009

Attending:

Mayor Matthew Arnett  
Councilor Thomas Brann  
Councilor Shannon Cox  
Councilor Jean Lawlis  
Councilor William Shakespeare

The meeting was opened at 5:45 p.m. by Mayor Arnett.

1. The Finance Committee minutes of 9/23/09 were reviewed and no corrections, errors, or omissions were noted.
2. The Committee reviewed the Treasurer's warrants for signature. Councilor Shakespeare asked questions relative to Harris Computer, a software vendor used by the Town. The Town Manager explained that the bill in question was for the annual software licensing fee related to the Assessing Program used.
3. Tabor II  
Those present discussed the pros and cons of the Tabor II item that is on the November ballot. Of concern to those present was the loss of local control over budgeting, and increased costs due to possible referendum elections needed. Although there is concern over the 'cost of government' in general, it was felt that the Tabor II proposal was not the right solution. Motion by Shannon Cox, seconded by William Shakespeare to recommend to the full council that the anti-Tabor II Resolution presented be endorsed. Vote 5-0.
4. School Funding  
The Town Manager reported that the School Superintendent had indicated the likely loss of up to \$400,000 in general purpose aid to education in the current fiscal year. While the Superintendent feels that they can cope with that loss this year, there is great concern over the next fiscal year due to the loss of funding there as well. Also discussed was the fact that bids on the first phase of the high school construction project came in over \$800,000 over budget. The Manager will stay in touch with school officials over how this may impact the project.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Lessard  
Town Manager

# *Penobscot Downeast Cable Consortium*

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## INVOICE

Date: June 22, 2009

Susan Lessard  
Town of Hampden  
106 Western Avenue  
Hampden, Maine 04444-1428

<i>Item</i>	<i>Amount</i>
2007-2008 Membership Dues	\$3,054
<b>Total Due</b>	<b>\$3,054</b>

*Please remit within 30 days*

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40 Harlow Street ☐ Bangor, Maine 04401  
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Monthly Fuel Usage

*Luckhart Pool*

Month	2004/2005	2005/2006	2006/2007	2007/2008	2008/2009	2009/2010
July	959.6	1338.1	791.7	1319.8	1091.2	1229.1
August	1954.3	2019.1	1263.6	1196.5	1088.1	535.7
September	2127.3	1702.1	2396.3	1924	1648.4	637.6
October	2356.3	2794.9	2686.6	1587.8	1562.4	
November	3881	3030.2	3165.4	2273.8	1679.3	
December	3907	4915.6	4127.7	2498.6	2430.2	
January	4863.6	4473.6	4440.3	3156.3	2211.4*	
February	4563.7	4258.2	5322.9	2563.3	2013.7	
March	3717.5	3525.1	2359.9	2300	2196.9	
April	2563.4	2576.6	2714.4	2373.6	1332.4	
May	2996.1	2635.7	2046.6	1909	1145.4	
June	1786.6	1499	1525.7	1538.6	997.8	
TOTAL	35676.4	34768.2	32841.1	24641.3	17185.8	
*New Boiler on line 1/1/2009						
5/16 - 6/1 issue with pool air temp controller						



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October 7, 2009

**PVCOG Region Communities:**

There are big changes in store for the COG in the upcoming year. The Advisory Committee has recommended the alteration of the PVCOG region by creating three Leagues of Towns: 1) Central Penobscot League of Towns, 2) Northern Penobscot League of Towns, and 3) Greater Piscataquis League of Towns. I have provided a map for you to view the proposed breakout of the communities.

These Leagues are being created to address the needs of communities in a more regional nature. Each League will be able to meet as frequently as it wishes, and will have the ability to address any issues that is important to its area. Either myself or a staff person will attend these meetings and work with each League on any project or issue it would like to address.

Each League of Towns will nominate three of its members to serve on the nine member Executive Committee. Another change to the Executive Committee is that its monthly meetings will be held throughout the PVCOG region, and at more convenient times.

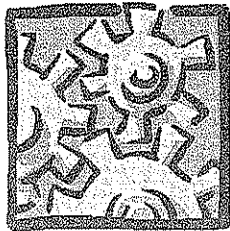
These changes cannot formally occur until after the annual meeting, which is set for Thursday, October 29th. I have included an invitation with this letter. Please RSVP to Lisa Weaver by either calling her at 942-6389 or emailing her at [lweaver@emdc.org](mailto:lweaver@emdc.org). With these important changes to be discussed, we are inviting member and non-member communities to attend this year. As always, there is no cost to attend.

I have also enclosed a membership invoice to PVCOG for the upcoming fiscal year for your consideration. The Advisory Committee has recommended that the General Assembly freeze dues and keep them at last year's level. We have provided you with an invoice that shows both options: 1) what the dues should be for the upcoming year if they are not frozen and, 2) what they will be if the General Assembly chooses to freeze dues at last year's level at the Annual Meeting. Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding the dues, or any other issue, at 942-2905.

It is my hope that your community will join us in our ongoing efforts in regional facilitation, technical assistance, cooperative purchasing and planning services.

Sincerely,

Michael Crooker  
PVCOG President  
Glenburn Town Manager



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## Invoice

Town of Hampden  
106 Western Avenue  
Hampden ME 04444-1428

10/08/2009

Invoice # : 9489      Order # :

Description: PVCOG Dues Fee If Not Frozen

Total Amount Due

\$5,300.00





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## Invoice

Town of Hampden  
106 Western Avenue  
Hampden ME 04444-1428

07/31/2009

Invoice # : 9363      Order # :

Description:    PVCOG Dues 2009-2010

Acci. No. \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Due

\$4,964.50

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OCT 13 2009

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

**You are cordially invited**

**Schedule of events:**

**6:00 - 6:30 Social time**

**6:30 - 7:00 Business Meeting: Bylaws,  
Work plan, Budget**

**7:00 - 7:30 Dinner Buffet**

**7:30 - 8:00 Greenprint Presentation**

**8:00 - 8:30 League of Towns, Break out groups**

# **PVCOG Annual Meeting**

**Thursday,  
October 29, 2009**

**6:00 to 8:30**

**Jeff's Catering  
15 Littlefield Way  
Brewer, ME 04412**

Please RSVP to Lisa Weaver at  
(207) 942-6389 x 3222 or  
[lweaver@emdc.org](mailto:lweaver@emdc.org)

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